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WITHIN THE WEEK

It is unrealistic to say, as many are now asserting, that Pres Roosevelt's sudden death will not affect the development of his foreign and domestic plans. While it is doubtless true that the new administration is sympathetically disposed to the late President's end objectives, executives as widely divergent in personality, background and perspective as Roosevelt and Truman must inevitably follow differing courses to attain their goals.

An era of personal gov't is coming to a close. It can now be revealed that Pres Truman was hand-picked for the strategic position to which he was elected last Fall, and that he has been kept more fully informed of developments than would commonly have been the case. But he must depend more upon associates than did his predecessor.

It is interesting to speculate how this turn of events will affect political developments. In our judgment, the long-range trend toward liberalism and collective security cannot be reversed at this time by any administration. The forces now working toward these ends are too powerful to be denied. And the voting record of Pres Truman denotes a basic belief in such objectives. Nevertheless, there is building up in this country an increasing resentment of bureaucracy, a growing antipathy toward

extreme regimentation. This sentiment will become much more pronounced after VE-Day. The returning veterans may be expected to add their impressive force to the movement. It is a natural aftermath of war's repressions.

Thus it seems to us that the long-range outlook for extreme liberalism, as personified in, let us say, Henry Wallace, is not promising. There will be a perceptible turn, tho not a violent swing, away from collectivist social planning. It has been no secret that Wallace was working toward a '48 nomination for the Presidency. Mr Roosevelt's death has definitely darkened his prospects.

As a matter of practical politics, it will be difficult for Mr Truman to avoid the Democratic nomination in '48. If he lives, the new Pres will play a significant role in world peace negotiations and in postwar measures looking toward world recovery. However, at convention time in '48, Mr Truman will be 64—a yr older than Mr Roosevelt at the time of his death. The U S has inaugurated only 3 presidents at this age level. Two of them died before completing a yr of service.

Considering his age, it is entirely probable that Mr Truman may not seek a term "on his own". But it seems a foregone conclusion that almost irresistible party pressure will be put upon him to become the candidate.



SHIFTING SANDS

One "inside" story now circulating is that STALIN welcomed opportunity to send Molotov to San Francisco, as it afforded No 1 diplomat opportunity to stop at Washington and present to President Russian views on some pending issues. . . WPB chairman KRUG has placed tools for auto industry at top of list in authorizing advance production of non-war mach'y. It's 1st step looking toward production of cars in '45. Industry seeks \$50 million in tools as initial order.

. . . Significantly, Argentine gov't has finally approved showing of *Confessions of a Nazi Spy* and other films presenting democratic viewpoint. Only Nazi propaganda pictures have been shown in recent yrs.

. . . Radio officials are closely scanning copy of talk made by PAUL PORTER, chairman, FCC who intimated that stations putting revenue from "commercials" above public interest may be in trouble when time comes to renew broadcasting license.



FOR THOSE WHO WILL NOT BE MENTALLY MAROONED

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"HE WHO NEVER QUOTES, IS NEVER QUOTED"

Charles Haddon Spurgeon

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"Kill American troops cruelly... Do not kill them with one stroke."—Official Japanese order, signed by a ground commander, found by American troops on Luzon.

"If he'd been voted in, I'd be out waving a flag, but it doesn't seem right to be very happy or wave any flags now."—Mrs MARTHA E TRUMAN, 92-yr-old mother of Pres HARRY TRUMAN.

"I'll be glad when the war ends. It will be nice to get back into uniform again."—Field Marshall BERNARD MONTGOMERY, whose well-known battle attire includes a pull-over sweater, field jacket, and beret.

"In 10 yrs from now you'll wish someone would call you 'Baby'."—ANN LANDERS, in *Chicago Sun*, counseling 16-yr-old girl who worries because her mother refers to her as "Baby" in public.

"Last night the weight of the moon and all the stars fell upon me. Please pray for me. I need your help."—President HARRY S TRUMAN, addressing his former associates in U S Senate, following the death of President ROOSEVELT.

"I'm going out there to see that America isn't sold down the river."—GERALD L K SMITH, head of the "America First" party, announcing his intention of attending the San Francisco conference as a gate-crasher.

"I should think that twin beds have kept more people out of Reno than they have sent there."—JOHN MASON BROWN, drama critic, commenting on survey to determine whether increasing popularity of twin beds has contributed to rising divorce rate.

"We now introduce a few minutes of special music to honor the passing of this great man."—TOKIO RADIO, interrupting a program to announce the death of Pres ROOSEVELT. Japanese attitude is in marked contrast to that of German propagandists who gloated openly over the President's death and continued their vilification of him.



"President Roosevelt gave his life for his nation the same as those who stormed Iwo Jima or fell at the Rhine."—WM O DOUGLAS, Associate Supreme Court Justice.

"What do you think you are, a Superfortress?"—Caustic comment of Judge JOSEPH B HERMES, in a Chicago Traffic Court, to CLARENCE DALE, arrested for what the judge called "flying too low"—speeding at 72 mph.

"Don't look now, but there's History right behind us, tapping us on the shoulder and saying, 'OK, Buddy, you're elected. It's up to you'."—LEWIS MERRILL, pres of United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO.

"If you put bay rum on your expense account, then put it on your hair."—Sen ALBEN BARKLEY, giving advice to Senate freshmen at a Press Club party in Washington last week.

"It looks just like Jones Beach (Long Island) on Sunday afternoon."—Surprised Marine on Okinawa, when a number of fellow Marines, reaching Nakagusuko bay without encountering Jap resistance, doffed their clothes and went swimming.

"My husband says I can eat Australian at home and American when we're out."—Young Australian wife of American serviceman trying to learn, among other strange American customs, the right-handed use of the fork.

"Screen writer who finds solitude distracting wishes to engage professional sitters... Prefer Casper Millquatoast type who will make homely sounds in outer den while writer works."—Classified ad in *Hollywood Reporter*. (We're told it brought many responses.)

"Hill sagala; nang butch; yor Tumul."—King Ueh, of the Ulithi atolls, speaking in Kanaka, to announce his abduction in favor of Lt MARSHAL P. WEES, young American physician who cured the natives of yaws. Dr WEES thus becomes the 1st American "king" in this war.

"We used to hear a great deal about the Nazi supermen. Now we hear much more about American superforts!"—WALTER WINCHELL.

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"Daddy told me never to stop for strange men."—JANE LAMOTTE, of Newton, Mass., arrested on speeding charge after being chased for 5 mi by policeman.

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"My husband was a good man. To the best of my knowledge, he shot only 12 people."—Wife of Nazi police commissioner of Wuppertal, Germany, when Allied soldiers came to arrest him.

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"I wish this war were over."—FRANZ VON PAPEN, German diplomat, captured by American forces. (A sergeant, leading VON PAPEN away, responded: "So do 11 million other guys.")

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"The Jap higher-ups are still worrying about saving face; the Nazis are past that stage. They are now worrying about saving their necks."—From a bulletin issued by COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRACY.

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"The war has become very unfair—the Allies have everything, planes, men and materials. The Germans have nothing. It is unfair for the Allies to take such advantage."—German major gen'l, captured in the Ruhr pocket.

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"The German is inclined at the end of a day's battling to sleep and let you sleep. The Jap is a night crawler."—Maj Gen'l R B WOODRUFF, who has commanded troops in both theaters of war, comparing the foe and their tactics.

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"Harry just never needs a doctor. About all I ever prescribed for him was cold tablets, or something like that."—Dr Jos W GREENE, the TRUMAN family physician, Independence, Mo., discussing state of the President's health.

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"Nothing new has been added except 8 cents."—MARION W ISSELL, Chicago-area OPA director, citing case of violation of price control regulations by cookie company which changed its product by cutting hole in center, raising price.

"Two more men left today... In 3 wks I'll be president."—Comment of an office girl to her companion as they left an elevator in Detroit's Book Tower.

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"It's the only way a married man can get to see the first act."—Manhattan theatergoer, indicating his preference for a 10 p m starting time for shows.

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"Enclosed find \$400 to take care of a discrepancy."—Unsigned note accompanied by 4 \$100 bills rec'd by N J State Conscience Fund, which profits from those who repent.

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"We Americans are too ready to believe that things like this don't really happen, but they do. There are villains in the plot."—JULIUS C HOLMES, Ass't Sec'y of State, revealing that Allies have detailed counter plan for destroying Nazi plans for 3rd War.

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"Either India at San Francisco is represented by an elected representative or represented not at all."—MOHANDAS K GANDHI, asserting that the present delegation appointed to represent India is only a "camouflage", should be dropped in favor of one chosen by the people.

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"They put on the hottest exhibition of sky dancing I've ever seen when they recognized us."—Lt ROBERT L FREEMAN, leader of U S flight of planes which met Russian fighter planes over Germany as both air forces attacked the same target north of Dresden.

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"I was horrified!"—Pvt WILLIAM S MURRAY, of Allison, Mass., unable to find billet room, entered a Belgian village church. Awoke to find church filled, priest celebrating mass. The considerate priest stepped over the sleeping soldier when he passed before the altar.

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"The next thing I knew, she had sold all her belongings and had come here to meet and marry me."—66-yr-old Toledo man who won his divorce by claiming he was rushed off his feet by fellow mbr of a lonely hearts club when he merely wrote saying he would like to see and talk to her.

"The shrapnel doesn't amount to much, but I've got high hopes for my mustache."—EDWIN R RANDALL, Marine wounded on Iwo, more concerned with the progress of his 2-wks-old mustache than with wounds he received.

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"The destruction of Japan's industry by air blows alone is possible—but we would have to have many more B-29's than we have at present."—Maj Gen CURTIS E LE MAY, 21st Bomber Command stationed at Guam.

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"I want you to help me get them back!"—Indignant German farmer who complained to American officer that a Polish family, his slave laborers for 3 yrs, quit when the Americans arrived. The officer quickly put him right on the current situation.

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"Personally I think that the entire subject of racial and religious discrimination and intolerance is essentially an educational problem rather than something that can be met by legislation."—Gov WALTER E EDGE, of N J, expressing misgivings as he signed bill for law prohibiting discrimination in employment because of race or religion.



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COLUMNIST'S COLUMN

"... when things aren't going too badly."

ERNIE PYLE

From the Pacific came word this wk that ERNIE PYLE, best-known and best-loved of war correspondents, was killed by Japanese machine-gun fire on a small island of Okinawa. Ernie had had persistent premonitions of death. "I dread going back," he said in an interview just before his Pacific departure, "but I feel a sense of duty toward the soldiers. I have become their mouthpiece, the only one they have. So I've got to go again. I'm trapped." This excerpt is from one of the last dispatches Ernie filed.

We were sitting around a little fire, warming our supper of K rations. We had some real coffee and we poured it into our canteen cups. As we sat there one of the boys started laughing and said:

"You know, when you 1st showed up, we saw that big 'Navy' stenciled on your back, and after you passed I said to the others:

"That guy's an admiral. Look at the old grey-headed bastard. He'll get a medal out of this, sure as hell."

The originator of this bright idea was Pfc Albert Schwab, Tulsa, Okla. He's a flame-thrower and flame-throwers have to be rugged guys, for the apparatus weighs 75 lbs.

But to see Albert sitting there telling that joke on himself and me, you'd never know he was a rugged guy at all. I'm not an admiral and I won't get any medal, but you do get a lot of laughs out of this war when things aren't going too badly.
—Abridged from *Scripps-Howard Newspapers*.

BEHAVIOR

Conduct is creed in action.—EARL RINEY, *Church Management*.

BIBLE—Reading

Suppose you were planning a visit to the planet Mars, and you learned of a book that you could get and read—a book so important, so significant and impelling that its power forced practically every merchant in the realm to change his window displays for two full mo's in each yr—at Christmas, and again at Easter. Wouldn't you get that book and read it eagerly?

This is only one example of the power of our Bible—quite apart from its moral precepts. Yet, in questioning a class of young people recently, I learned that less than 30% had read, in their entirety, the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.—Dr GEO W CRANE, popular psychologist and author.

CHARACTER—Nat'l

In the last analysis, our nat'l future depends upon our nat'l character—that is, whether it is spiritually or materially minded.—ROGER BARSON.

CHILDREN—Rearing

Herman Peterson, author of *Country Chronicle*, moved on a farm in upper N Y state because he thought it would be a good place to write. When an inquiring neighbor asked, between spurts of tobacco juice, what crops the stranger intended to raise, Peterson was momentarily stumped. Then he happened to recall what his wife had said about the city being no place to bring up children.

"I'm going to raise children," he said brightly.

The farmer spat meditatively. "Around here," he said, "we look on that as a side line."—*Reading & Writing*.

COMPANIONSHIP

A certain well-known gourmet desired to cultivate the acquaintance of Jonathan Swift, and thought to prepare a sumptuous dinner to lure the great satirist to his house.

"I will send you my bill of fare," he told Swift.

To which Swift replied, "Send me rather your bill of company."—*Christian Science Monitor*.

FDR's last jest

This is a story we have not seen in print. It may have significance as perhaps the last of the journalistic jokes in which Pres Roosevelt took such keen delight.

The President's last public appearance in Washington was at a newspaper correspondent's dinner, some 3 wks before his death. Called upon for a brief talk, Mr Roosevelt began a grave discussion of humanitarianism, and continued in that vein for a couple of minutes. Then suddenly he concluded, "... and because I, too, am a humanitarian, in view of the late hrs which you boys will doubtless keep, I am cancelling my press conference, scheduled for tomorrow morning."

The following day Pres Roosevelt left for Warm Springs.

DEFEATISM

If we begin surrendering to defeatism our faiths because they have not prevented this catastrophe, there is no place to stop. Nothing has prevented it—not Christianity, not education, nor internat'l law and statesmanship, nor democracy, nor the world-wide independencies of culture in music, art and medicine. They all have failed. To discard them, however, because of that is as though a man, fallen into a pit, should saw off his legs because they had not prevented his falling in. On second thought he had better keep those legs—they are his only hope of ever climbing out again.—HARRY EMERSON FOSDICK, *A Great Time To Be Alive*. (Harper)

EDUCATION—Defined

A man is well-educated if he is in as good health as possible for him, if he is able to make an honest living, if he exhibits good taste in his amusements and recreations and intellectual pursuits, and if he is tolerant of the opinions, ideas and ideals of others.—A E HOLCH, *The Science Teacher*.

FREEDOM

If the GI's of this war have their way, we should see some startling novelties in the way of sculpture to commemorate victory. So we judge, at least, from a letter written by a private fighting in the Philippines. Here is his suggestion for a victory monument to be called "American Freedom" and to be erected, he specifies, in front of the Capitol building in Washington:

A group of heroic size, the central figure of which would be a typical ex-GI seated languidly behind the wheel of an open roadster... Standing beside the car, hewn in pulchritudinous granite curves, a California drive-in girl in shorts holding a doortop tray containing a Coca-Cola and steakburger... Behind the car, a third figure in the uniform of a gas station attendant who holds a gasoline hose in one hand, carelessly letting the tank overflow.—*Pageant*.

GOD—Presence

A soldier, in a camp hundreds of miles away from his wife, wrote her:

"I like to think that we are never really alone, because I can take God with me and leave Him there with you."—*The Upper Room*.

ILITERACY

When the U S Marines were supervising the Nicaraguan elections of 1928, they conducted a literacy poll at the same time. Down in the southern town of Rivas, the Marine in charge of the voting asked the stock question as a working-class voter shuffled up. The voter answered, "I can't read, but I can write."

Thinking he had really uncovered something new, the Marine produced a pencil and paper. "O K, write something." The voter took the pencil awkwardly, scrawled a line of meaningless scallops and loops across the paper and handed it confidently back.

The Marine studied the paper in bewilderment, finally gave it back to the scribe. "What does it say?" The man shrugged. "I only know how to write. You can read. You tell me what it says."—*Inter-American*, 3-'45.

INDULGENCE

Amusement and pleasure are like arsenic—a tonic in ounces, a poison in lbs.—JOSHUA LOTH LIEBMAN, "The Jewish Challenge and the Human Hope," *Opinion*, 4-'45.

They DO say . . .

Chicago Tribune, arch enemy of FDR, in the issue of Apr 13, reversed its column rules, newsman's traditional gesture of respect to a departed personage... Incidentally, *Trib* is now displaying notices assuring all employees of jobs in postwar period. Col McCormick expects to launch one, perhaps two, new papers when paper restrictions are eased... Despite rationing, U S newspapers have record daily circulation over 47 million... New professional journal on juvenile delinquency theme is in the making. As yet unnamed, it will be sponsored by Nat'l Ass'n of Training Schools... Book-of-the-Month Club is backing radio show, *Author Meets Critics*. It's no pale aesthetic affair. Idea is that critics will really take opus apart. Author, of course, has chance to talk back... In May *Esquire*, Cpl Jock McKENZIE, former golf pro, writes pessimistically on prospects of combat soldier attaining distinction in post-war sports: "How is the athlete who is subject to trench foot, malaria, nervous exhaustion, etc, even barring injury, ever going to climb the heights he left or could have attained? We will have greater athletes, but they won't come from our fighting fronts."

KNOWLEDGE

A preacher, in a sermon on "Wisdom," said to his small flock, "Brethren, it isn't the things we know that get us into trouble. It's the things we know *for sure* that aren't so!"—Sgt FRANK N POHORLAK, "The GI, the Church, and the Post-war World," *The Link*, 4-'45.

LABOR—Domestic

A woman, advertising for a maid, announces: "I will provide entertainment and social contacts."—E V DURLING, *Hearst Newspapers*.



It is becoming increasingly clear that the GI bill of rights is due for some rather extensive overhauling. A great deal of dissatisfaction is centering upon the loan provisions of the bill. From veteran's point of view, the plan of having gov't guarantee loans made by local banks isn't working well. Even with gov't guarantee, banks have been chary about loaning money to buy farms at current price levels (only 18 gov't-guaranteed loans have thus far been closed for farm purchases). Somewhat same condition obtains in respect to loans for launching business ventures. Agitation is for gov't to loan money directly. Of many measures pending in House extreme is reflected in Cunningham bill which would permit ex-serviceman to borrow up to \$12,000 for farm purchase, at 3% interest, with 40 yrs to pay. Move to put inexperienced servicemen on farms is opposed by farm organizations on ground that present farm personnel (plus farm boys who will ret'n at war's end) can produce all food commodities that U S and world markets can consume and finance.

Illinois State's Att'y Wm J Tuohy has unearthed and is preparing to enforce a 1909 statute forbidding landlords from discriminating against tenants because of children. His statement instructing all assistants to "co-operate fully" with persons claiming injuries under the law is timed to coincide with May 1st moving plans... Incidentally, as leases expire, many landlords are refusing to make further term commitments. They explain blandly that when OPA lifts rent controls, they don't want to be hampered in making rate adjustments.



ART: Infra-red rays are now used to photograph valuable old paintings. Aids research into techniques of masters. Rays penetrate upper layers of paint, reveal sub-surface modeling.

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AVIATION: Pilots of jet-propelled P-80 may not require heavy clothes, oxygen masks. Engine feeds warm air to pressurized cabin. This warmth, and lack of vibration, will keep pilot fatigue at minimum. (*Aviation News*)

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HORTICULTURE: A dental surgeon, Dr Lytle S Adams, has developed apparatus to sow grass and other vegetation on barren plains by shooting seed pellets from airplane. Seeds are rolled into small balls of pulverized clay to which rodent and insect repellants have been added. Weight of pellets, shot in spiral pattern from a rotating central pan on the plane, causes them to penetrate into earth. Moisture in clay enable seeds to germinate with only 8 inches annual rainfall. (*UP dispatch*)

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MEDICINE: A few influenza vaccine, giving protection against 3 known strains of flu, has now been tested on humans with indication that it is approx 10 times as effective as usual commercial vaccines. Developed under auspices of office of Scientific Research and Development, the scientific war agency, it is now being made commercially. (*Jnl of Experimental Medicine*)

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SCIENCE: Photoelectric inspector of glass jars rejects those containing minute cracks or surface irregularities. Such flaws, passed unnoticed, might prevent airtight sealing and result in food spoilage. (*Gen'l Electric*)

LOVE—Power of

A certain baby hospital decided to raise a test group of infants under the best possible laboratory conditions. The babies were isolated to spare them from catching germs. They were fed scientifically perfect meals and were handled by nurses only when necessary. After a few wks the medical wizards were stumped. The babies were sluggish and underweight. The docs compared these infants with tots of the same age brought up under the haphazard conditions of home.

The home babies—dirt and all—were bigger, bouncier and brighter! After much brow knitting, the doctors decided to experiment with something the home babies had that the hospital guinea pigs had not. They wrote on each hospital baby's chart: "One hr of loving a day." The nurses relaxed and were human. They hugged the babies, cooed at them, hummed to them. Almost instantly an all-round improvement was so apparent it could be measured scientifically.—**VANCE PACKARD**, "Give the War Babies a Break," *American Mag*, 5-'45.

MAN—Inequality

Nature loves inequality; she likes to choose the strong, the intelligent or the brave for survival and reproduction, and to slough off the stupid, the cowardly and the weak. Utopias of equality are unbiological, and therefore always fail; the constitution of men is forever rewriting the constitutions of states.—**DR WILL DURANT**, "What We Can Learn From History," *Redbook*, 4-'45.

MONEY

We are so money-conscious that we use it even to describe our appearance: as "I feel like two cents," or "You look like a million dollars." —**DR WILLIAM WARD AYER**, *Watchman-Examiner*.

ORIGINS

Here's the interesting history of *Lili Marlene*, theme song of both German and British radio propagandists:

In '39 when Germans moved into Austria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, they set up a propaganda station at Bucharest. Supplies included a

trunk full of phonograph records, to be interspersed in propaganda programs. All records were broken except *Lili Marlene*. So the Germans were forced to use this to open and close their propaganda shows. The song became a sort of trade-mark and was used later in N Africa. It became a favorite of the British propaganda station, when the song was re-worded to tell of death and destruction caused by the Hitler regime.

RADIO

To listening Americans the word that "commercials" will be eliminated from the middle of news broadcasts is a welcome relief. Harking to some broadcasts we often have wondered whether the fighting was in the Pacific or in our alimentary canal.—*NY World-Telegram*.

REVERENCE—in Nature

The African savage said beautifully to Livingstone: "When showers have fallen in the night and the earth is washed clean and the sun sparkles on every leaf and the air is fresh—that is holiness."—*Southern Churchman*.

SALVAGE

For yrs the U S Treasury destroyed worn and mutilated paper money by incineration. Now it is installing new mach'y that macerates the old paper and restores it as pulp. About 5 tons are salvaged daily.—*GEO DIXON, Cosmopolitan*.

SUBTERFUGE—Nazi

A Nazi officer in occupied Paris is shown on the screen addressing a large group of rebellious Frenchmen. He asks those in the group desiring additional food coupons to raise their right hands. Naturally, the response is automatic. But when the newsreel was distributed by the Nazis it was titled: "French citizens welcomed us to Paris with upraised hands in the Nazi salute." —**DARRYL ZANUCK**, "Free Speech On Silver Screen," *Free World*, 3-'45.

THOUGHT

What thought can think, another thought can mend.—*ROBERT SOUTHWELL*.

You and the New World Order

Now, at the beginning of a new political era—and on the eve of a great world conference—it is more important than ever that you, as an informed citizen, should comprehend and evaluate the momentous decisions of our day. Thus we are presenting for your review this admittedly sketchy outline of the principal internat'l meetings looking toward world reconstruction. While the outline is essentially our own, we are indebted for the idea and for basic material to an editorial feature, "What You Ought to Know," in *Vogue*, 4-15-'45.

Dumbarton Oaks: At Dumbarton Oaks was evolved the formula of a Security Council—one mbr from each of the four powers represented, and one from France. In addition, there would be six elective mbrs from other United nations. The Council would be called upon to prevent, settle, or as a final move, stop threatened aggression. It has actual military powers which the League of Nations lacked.

Delegates to Dumbarton Oaks also proposed a Gen'l Assembly, to act as a policy-making body; an Economic and Social council; a Secretariat; an Internat'l Court of Justice.

The Yalta Conference: Major agreements at Yalta: strategy for defeat and occupation of Germany, and the matter of German reparations; a voting formula for the Security council set up at Dumbarton Oaks. (It was originally announced that each of 11 mbrs would have one vote; later, a special agreement was revealed whereby U S and Russia would each claim three votes, and still later, Pres Roosevelt announced that U S would seek only one vote, although we remain obligated to support Russia's claim to three votes "if made.") On "procedural" matters, majority vote of council suffices. On questions involving possible use of force, there must be unanimous vote of The Big Five. This means any major power can veto use of force against itself.

A compromise was effected on Poland and Yugoslavia, with provision that both nations shall eventually hold "free" elections.

Mexico Conference: Act of Chapultepec guarantees political sovereignty and geographic borders of signing countries. All American republics except Argentina participated. Door was left open for that

nation to make the decisions unanimous, and subsequent developments indicate receptivity. In case of threatened or actual aggression, these nations are to "consult among themselves" and determine action.

Canada, not being a republic, isn't a mbr of Pan-American Union and thus did not attend this conference.

Bretton Woods: This conference was called last July to develop a financial basis for world trade. It was attended by representatives of 44 United and Associated nations, who proposed Internat'l Monetary Fund and Internat'l Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

U S has shown almost unanimous approval of the Bank, but there has been some opposition to the Monetary Fund. This is a stabilization fund which has as its purpose the stimulation of foreign trade by minimizing the risks. Principal offices of Bank and Fund are to be in U S, which will have largest quota and thus greatest number of votes. Plan goes into effect as soon as countries having 65% of total quotas accept the proposals.

San Francisco Conference: At this conference, for 1st time, representatives of United Nations will meet to work out charter for world security organization based on Dumbarton Oaks proposals. It should be understood that this is not a "peace conference."

Two major objections are certain: (1) the little nation is left to regional security arrangements, and (2) smaller nations have in matters of security no power at all.

In some respects this promises to be the most difficult of all recent world conferences. The large number of delegates complicates orderly procedure.

After the conference each nation will have to ratify the charter according to its own constitution.



Aftermath of War

JANE ADDAMS

This is the 30th anniversary of the founding, by Miss Addams, of the Women's Internat'l League for Peace and Freedom, as well as the 10th anniversary of the death of Jane Addams, the renowned hostess of Chicago's Hull House. It is an apt time, in these closing days of our 2nd war in Europe, to look back on a condition which our humanitarians may hope will not be repeated when present battles are over. This excerpt is from the book, *Peace And Bread in Time of War*, published by Macmillan in '22.

It was a period of pronounced reaction, characterized by all sorts of espionage, of wholesale raids, arrests and deportations. Liberals everywhere soon realized that a contest was on all over the world for the preservation of that hard won liberty which since the days of Edmund Burke had come to mean to the civilized world not only security in life and property but in opinion as well.

Many people had long supposed liberalism to be freedom to know and to say, not what was popular or convenient or even what was patriotic, but what they held to be true. But those very liberals came to realize that a distinct aftermath of war was the dominance of the mass over the individual to such an extent that it constituted a veritable revolution in our social relationships. Every part of the country had its own manifestations of suspicion and distrust. . . With all the rest of the world, America fell back into the old habit of judging men, not by their individual merits or capacities, but by the categories of race and religion.

We've just heard that at the end of the last day of the Yalta conference there was time out for a bit of social relaxation. Douglas Cornell, who covered the proceedings for AP, chatting with FDR asked: "How old are you, Mr President?" FDR replied: "According to the calendar, my age is 62, but when work is to be done, I'm 35 yrs old." —*Hollywood Reporter*.

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Here is perhaps the 1st of the new crop of Truman anecdotes:

On his 1st day as President, Mr Truman was entertaining an old friend in his office, getting some advice. A sec'y appeared to announce the arrival of a very high mbr of Truman's official family. The President hesitated, then said: "Let him wait a little bit."

Turning to the friend he chuckled, "I remember he made me wait the other day when I was vice president." —*Detroit Free-Press*.



WiseCracks OF THE WEEK

BACHELOR: a man who wouldn't take yes for an answer.—*Family Circle*.

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PHILOSOPHER: a person who says he doesn't care which side his bread is buttered on, because he eats both sides anyway.—*Journeyman Barber*.

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IMAGINATION: something that sits up with a woman when her husband comes home late.—*Alexander Animator*.

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Gen'l Patton's idea of ancient history: yesterday's headlines.—*Chilton (Wis) Times-Journal*.

GOOD STORIES YOU CAN USE

I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

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On my way to work one morning recently, while driving along the shore of Lake Mich, I noticed the sun coming up. I parked by the side of the road to get a better view.

An automobile containing 2 policemen pulled up. One policeman came over, rapped on the window of my car and asked, "What are you doing here?"

"Why," I said in some surprise, "I am just watching the sunrise."

The policeman walked to the rear of the car and squinted skeptically eastward. "Hey," he called to his associate, "come over here and look at the sunrise." Then, turning to me, he observed. "You know, I've been on this run for 15 yrs, and that's the 1st time I ever noticed that was there."

Donald Nelson tells this story of a new school in China. An instructor called one of the children and asked: "Can you describe an American?"

"An American," the child ans'd, "is a man who has 2 legs and 4 wheels." —LEONARD LYONS, syndicated column.

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Current war news is greatly affecting our younger generation. On a N Y sidewalk recently was chalked the figure of a heart, inside which was inscribed: "Tommy loves Helen." Beneath this had been added, in childish scrawl, "This is an unconfirmed report." —*Pageant*.

Walking in a part of London one morning a man was astonished to see a workman dressed in a silk hat and black frockcoat fixing tiles on the roof of a large building. While he watched, the dinner whistle blew and a big Rolls Royce drew up at the gate. The gentleman got in and was whirled away. At 2 o'clock, the expensive car drew up and the frock coated gentleman emerged, went on with his work.

The onlooker went into the building and asked the foreman about him. "Oh, 'im?" said the foreman. "Quite an interesting case 'e is. Actually 'e's the Mayor of this borough, and 'e came here last July to lay the foundation stone. Now the Ministry of Labor won't let 'im leave the job!" —*Rotarian*.

